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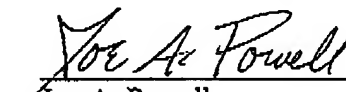
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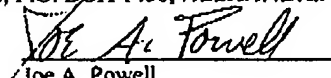
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This is in response to an Office Action mailed on December 21, 2005 regarding the above-identified application. This response is being made within two (2) months after Final Rejection.

No amendments were made to the existing claims.